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TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA FLASH

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PBOR, UK, GT, BH

SUBJECT: BELIZE: INSTRUCTIONS RE REINFORCEMENTS
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1. AMBASSADOR IS REQUESTED TO MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS IN
CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY
THE BRITISH THAT THEIR MILITARY MOVES ARE PURELY DEFENSIVE.
WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE TALKS ARE CONTINUING AND THAT TODAY'S
COMMUNIQUE WILL INDICATE THAT THE PARTIES WILL CONTINUE TO
MEET. WE HOPE THIS WILL IN FACT BE THE CASE. WE APPRECIATE
VERY MUCH THE ASSURANCE GIVEN THIS MORNING BY LAUGERUD THAT
HE WILL NOT ATTACK IN THE ABSENCE OF A UNILATERAL GRANTING
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OF INDEPENDENCE TO BELIZE BY THE BRITISH. FYI: WE HAVE
PASSED THAT SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO THE BRITISH; THE
BRITISH EMBASSY WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF THE NEWS. END FYI.

2. YOU MAY SAY THAT THE BRITISH HAVE INFORMED US THAT
WITH REGARD TO INDEPENDENCE, THEY HAVE NO PRESENT INTEN-
TION OF UNILATERALLY GRANTING INDEPENDENCE AND FURTHERMORE

THAT THEY WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO TAKE THE GUATEMALANS BY SURPRISE. THEY REITERATED THAT THEY, TOO, ARE DESIROUS OF CONTINUING THE NEGOTIATIONS.

3. WE ARE CONTINUING TO RECOMMEND TO THE GUATEMALANS, AS

WELL AS TO THE BRITISH, TO TAKE STEPS TO LOWER THE LEVEL OF TENSION. WE BELIEVE YOUR ASSURANCE OF THIS MORNING WAS EXTREMELY POSITIVE IN THIS REGARD. VANCE

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